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CHOLESTEROL LOWERING STRUCTURED LIPIDS CONTAINING

OMEGA 6 POLYUNSATURATED FATTY ACIDS AND THE

PROCESS THEREOF

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the communication mailed January 28, 2008, the period of response being extended from April 28, 2008 to July 28, 2008.

The amount of \$1050 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity is being paid.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Merchant & Gould P.C., Deposit Account No. 13-2725.

Respectfully submitted,

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